BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SOUTH MIAMI COMMISSION CHAMBERS 6130 SUNSET DRIVE SOUTH MIAMI, FLORIDA

AGENDA

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2003 AT 7 P.M.

- I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2003
- III. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. MDT BIKE&RIDE PROGRAM UPDATE D. Henderson
- IV. INFORMATION ITEMS
 - A. SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECT D. Henderson
 - B. BIKE/PED FACILITIES FEASIBILITY EVALUATION D. Henderson
 - C. 2000 CENSUS JOURNEY-TO-WORK DATA D. Henderson
 - D. RICKENBACKER CSWY. UPDATE J. Cohen, M-DPW
 - E. HOMESTEAD TRANSIT VILLAGE D. Henderson
 - F. SEPTEMBER PROGRESS REPORT J. Manzella

Don't Forget, the November meeting will be held on the 19th!

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MINUTES

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT

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Brett Bibeau Ted Silver Sheila Boyce Brian Hannigan

Barry Burak Bruce Henderson Amado Leon

OTHERS PRESENT

David Henderson, Staff Jae Manzella, Staff Dan Wick, City of Homestead

Noel Cleland, Bicycle Commuter Bill Best, Retired Bike Shop Owner Charles Martin,

Cyclist

Roberta Lovett, Concerned Cyclist

The meeting began at 7:20 p.m.

ISSUE		DISCUSSION
MDT UPDATE	-	NC: The gate at Miami River is being locked again. BB: He will check on why. DH: The Bike&Ride kick-off event will be November 14 th . He passed out e-mail from the Director outlining the changes. Most of the restrictions have already been lifted. However, guards at Metrorail stations aren't prepared to issue permits yet. TS: Will try to attend the event; but is leaving out-of-town that afternoon.
HOMESTEAD TRANSIT VILLAGE	-	DW: The project has been cancelled, due to unforseen costs for contamination removal. The city will build parking lots. TS: Hope cyclists are accommodated with shelter, shade trees, a parking area and water. DW: Doubts that will be done. Shelters are too expensive. DH: Bike racks are not expensive. If they aren't provided cyclists will use utility poles, etc., which the City would not prefer. Homestead is a very bicycle-oriented area. DW: The Truck By-pass is still not defined. The study is not complete.
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL	-	DH: More safe routes will be developed after a long period of inactivity. Proceedures will be developed that will be used for future projects. The Liberty City area schools will be pilot projects. This was one of the high pedestrian crash areas. BB: This project should be promoted on the MPO/BPAC website.
BIKE PLAN FEASILITY STUDY	-	DH: Consultants are being hired to evealuate the 6-best projects for conseptual designs. One of these will become a demonstration project, determining costs, etc. Commodore Trail seems to be a good candidate. TS: Grand Av. could have been a great link. This piece in the network will be missing. BB: Inquired as to improvements for the existing M-Path. DH: Blind curves and intersections are a problem; also, it is only 8' wide.
JOURNEY TO WORK STATISTICS	-	DH: About 20% of census recipients were asked detailed questions. Some areas reported as high as 13.8% for bicycle commuting, and 70% for walk commutes. Miami Beach, FIU, Downtown Miami, Homestead, and UofM are high b/p areas.
RICKEN- BACKER UPDATE	-	DH: Mr. Cohen couldn't attend tonight's meeting. The new person in the Contracts Division says she is backlogged and this project will suffer more delays. There may be an update next month.
MISCEL- LANEOUS	-	{ RL: Concerned that the 4-laning of Krome Av. does not include bike lanes. DH: <i>Paved shoulders are being planned. These will stop just north of SW 296 St.</i> TS: Accomodations on Krome Av. can't be ignored just because a path on US-1 is

being constructed. The two don't meet until SW 340 St. There are many seasonal cyclists that spend money in Homestead. The project reminds him of Grand Av., when residents demanded the FDOT/MPO towaive an exception for bicycle accommodations.

{ TS: SW 192 Av. has been resurfaced. The result, since Public Works neglects to accommodate cyclists on these types of projects, is a hazardous drop-off.

DH: *This corridor will be redesigned later*. It was quickly resurfaced to accommodate truck traffic working on the Everglades Park reconstruction.

- { TS: Inquired if Card Sound Rd. will ever be improved.
 - DH: US-1 is still better than Card Sound Rd. for cycling.
- { TS: Residential developments on Galloway Rd. will limit the possibilities for the linear park, especially all the new roads. It seems the Parks staff did not account for all this development. The result may be a facility that is unsafe for the target users.
- { DH: There will be a Transit Tax Workshop at the Downtown Hyatt on Nov. δ^{th} . B/P projects can be included from the tax proceeds.
- { DH: The MPO will be hearing the citizen committee reports at the end of the meeting. TS: If so, he will not be able to attend. This needs to be changed back. It is only 2 minutes of reporting.
- { TS: Would like to have Seaquarium & Biscayne Trail updates at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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